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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794) DATE: 2/14/66

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (105-16238)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL-SCLC
IS-C

Re Atlanta airtel and LHM, 1/31/66, concerning [redacted]

Chicago indices reflect no references to [redacted] (b)(7)(C)

However, by letter December 22, 1959, to the Bureau, Chicago advised that a [redacted], U. S. Marine Corps 1855682, had surrendered the previous day at the U. S. Marine Corps recruiting office in Chicago, advising the FBI was on his trail. The Bureau was requested to advise Chicago if Bureau assistance in locating [redacted] had been requested; if not wanted, no reply was necessary. No reply to this letter was forthcoming.

The only descriptive data concerning this individual was that his home was in Marion, Illinois. It is not known if he is identical with subject of referenced airtel and LHM.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-149194)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL SCLC
IS-C Southern Christian Leadership Conference
(OO: Atlanta)

Enclosed are ten copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) incorporating information from [redacted] Two copies of this LHM are enclosed for the Atlanta Office [redacted]

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New York, New York
February 11, 1966

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Re: Communist Infiltration of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC)

On February 9, 1966, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Stanley Levison and Adele Kanter (Director of the New York Office of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, SCLC), were in contact on that date. According to the source, their principal concern was financial matters of the SCLC.

Levison, in emphasizing just how shakey the SCLC's financial position is, said it is so bad that Martin Luther King (President of the SCLC) called an emergency meeting of the SCLC for Saturday, February 12, 1966, in Atlanta, Georgia. He acknowledged, however, that King showed vision in recognizing the danger signs before it becomes too late.

In order to try to project just what the expenses and receipts of the SCLC would be for the current fiscal period, Levison said he was of the opinion that between $350,000 and $400,000 gross would be taken in from their mailings. He said expenses would run about $110,000.

Levison repeated that he felt they could get gross of $400,000 or 40 per cent of the budget from their mail appeals. He noted that there is a weakness in that "they" (SCLC) are counting on getting $150,000 from benefits, although there are no benefits scheduled, and the balance (of the budget) from the American Foundation for Non-Violence.

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Re: Communist Infiltration of the SCLC
Internal Security - C

The same confidential source stated on February 9, 1966, that Stanley Levison has reservations aboard Delta Airlines Flight 917, which leaves Kennedy International Airport, New York City, at 7:00 AM, February 12, 1966, for Atlanta. The flight is scheduled to arrive Atlanta at 9:46 AM, that morning. He also has return reservations aboard Delta Airlines Flight 816, which leaves Atlanta at 5:55 PM on February 12, 1966, and arrives New York City at 7:36 PM.

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SAC, Atlanta (100-5718)

2/16/66

Director, FBI (100-438794)

PERSONAL ATTENTION

1 - Mr. Bates

COMINFIL OF THE
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
(COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAM)

ReATairtels 1/26/66 and 2/3 & 4/66 captioned as above, and ATairtels 2/3 & 7/66, captioned "Martin Luther King, Jr., SM - C (Counterintelligence Program)."

Reairtels indicate that Atlanta is extremely alert for possible counterintelligence activities involving the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). This aggressive approach is commendable and demonstrates an enthusiastic attitude toward your investigative responsibilities. The Bureau desires that you continue to furnish it such information indicating dissension and personnel problems involving the SCLC and its personnel.

The basis for our investigation of the SCLC is to determine the degree of communist infiltration within this organization. Therefore, all counterintelligence activity in this case should be aimed at disclosing any communist infiltration for the purpose of discrediting and eliminating it.

[redacted] (b)(7)(C)

in view of the absence of any known membership in a subversive organization by Hosea Williams, the Bureau does not desire that the above-mentioned counterintelligence measure be instituted.

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Letter to SAC, Atlanta
Re: COMINFIL OF THE
SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
100-438794

In connection with Hosea Williams, it is noted that ATairtel and letterhead memorandum dated 2/8/66, captioned "Cominfil of SCLC, IS - C," indicates Williams already is in trouble with SCLC officials and that on 2/7/66 the SCLC executive staff severely admonished Williams for wasting money, [redacted] drinking, and failing to account to the SCLC for expenses.

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NOTE:

[redacted] While it is desired that Atlanta keep the Bureau abreast of such occurrences within the SCLC, it is felt that any counterintelligence measures instituted should be restricted to exposing and discrediting any communist infiltration within the organization. Therefore, instant letter is being sent to Atlanta for their guidance in connection with counterintelligence measures.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794) DATE: 2/14/66

COMINFIL CONFIDENTIAL

FROM : SAC, ALBANY (100-18794)(RUC)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL OF SCLC
IS - C

Re Atlanta airtel to Bureau 12/30/65. (U)

Enclosed for the Bureau are original and seven copies and for Atlanta 2 copies of letterhead memorandum. (U)

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Enclosed letterhead memorandum has been classified Secret because it contains information obtained from Atlanta letterhead memorandum, 12/30/65, which was so classified. (U)

2 - Bureau (Encs. 8) (RM)
2 - Atlanta (100-5716) (Encs. 2)(RM)
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Albany, New York

February 14, 1966

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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S) OF Albany DATE 2/17/66 Recorded by Albany Office

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Reference is made to memorandum dated December 30, 1965, Atlanta, Georgia, entitled "Communist Infiltration of Southern Christian Leadership Conference, Internal Security - C", in which it was stated that one Dan Mitchell, connected with a poverty program in Syracuse, New York, told Andrew J. Young, Executive Director, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, that Rudy Lombard (not identified) had advised him to contact Young. (U)

The Syracuse, New York, "Herald Journal" dated September 17, 1963, contains an article concerning picketing the City Urban Renewal sites. One of the demonstrators who was arrested on September 16, 1963, on a charge of unlawful intrusion on real property, a misdemeanor, was one Daniel B. Mitchell, 22, 125 Bassett Street, Syracuse, New York. This article does not show the disposition of Mitchell's arrest. (U)

Dan Mitchell

On December 23, 1965, Dan Mitchell, 421 South Crouse Avenue, Syracuse, New York, who claimed to be associated with Syracuse Community Development Association, advised the Albany Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation that four of his Association members had been arrested on that date for demonstrating at Lyndon B. Johnson's ranch, Texas. Mr. Mitchell advised that he wanted the Albany Office to be aware of this situation. (U)

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The Syracuse, New York daily newspaper "The Post-Standard" of June 29, 1964 on page 6, contained an article entitled "Pray in Clinton Square, CORE Marches for 3". This article reported that about 150 members of Syracuse Congress of Racial Equality marched without incident to Clinton Square yesterday with placards calling for prayers for three civil rights workers who are lost and feared dead in Mississippi. The prayer march that began at CORE Headquarters, 609 East Adams Street, led to the shaded steps of the U.S. Post Office Building where the marchers, mostly white, prayed and sang and talked of freedom. According to the article one of the speakers was bearded Syracuse University graduate student, Rudy Lombard, National Vice Chairman of CORE. Lombard, who reportedly was leaving for Mississippi on June 29, 1964, to "coordinate civil rights groups" made an urgent plea to end racial hatred in the South. Lombard stated "There will be more atrocities this summer in Mississippi. this march is part of many marches to federal buildings across the nation. We are calling for federalsupport of all (civil rights) volunteers and reaffirming our commitment to nonviolence." (U)

The article stated that Lombard will work with the Council of Federated Organizations for registration of Negro voters and the establishment of community centers and private freedom schools in Mississippi. (U)

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A review of DR#-66640 concerning above arrest disclosed that Lombard was among seven pickets arrested on December 1, 1962, at 105 Comstock Avenue, Syracuse, New York. The vacant apartment building at this address was being picketed by CORE in protest of the owner's alleged (U)

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refusal to rent an apartment to an African student. The pickets were placed under arrest when they refused to leave the building. The report disclosed that all persons arrested in connection with this picketing signed a certificate of release on December 3, 1962, when they were discharged from the custody of the Syracuse Police Department. (U)

On June 29, 1964, [redacted] Syracuse Credit Bureau, Syracuse, New York, stated her files contained no record identifiable with Rudolph Joseph Lombard. (U) b7C

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A review of the 1963 - 1964 Syracuse University Directory lists one Rudiph J. Lombard as a graduate student residing at 1600 East Genesee Street, Syracuse, New York. His permanent address is listed as 516 Newton, New Orleans, Louisiana. (U)

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that at a national convention of CORE held in Kansas City, Missouri, July 2 - 5, 1964, one of the officers elected was Rudolph Lombard, Vice Chairman, residence New Orleans, Louisiana and Syracuse, New York. (U)

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The Binghamton, New York, "Evening Press" dated November 10, 1964, contains an article concerning certain speakers who had previously worked in support of the Mississippi Civil Rights Project. One of the speakers listed was Rudy Lombard, Syracuse University student. The speakers mentioned in this article are scheduled to give the public information about the Mississippi Civil Rights Project and to raise funds for it. (U)

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Albany, New York

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Reference Letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794) DATE: 2/17/66

FROM : SAC, BUFFALO (100-18526) (RUC)

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE DEMONSTRATIONS
SELMA AND HAYNESVILLE, ALABAMA
BY SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP
CONFERENCE (SCLC)
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Remylet, 12/29/65.

Buffalo sources have no information regarding plans of individuals or groups to participate in demonstrations in Selma and Haynesville, Alabama.

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1 - Mobile (44-1417) (Info) (RM)
1 - Buffalo
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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794) DATE: 2/17/66

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-149194)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL OF SCLC
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Re Atlanta airtels to Bureau dated 1/31/66 and 2/7/66 (2).

The following names mentioned in referenced airtels were checked through NYO indices with no identifiable or pertinent information obtained: JAMES FUTRANSKY, MITCHELL (MICKEY) SHUR, E.J. CREEDEN, and W.P. DANE, Jr.

The 1965-1966 Borough of Manhattan Telephone Directory, New York City, indicates a listing for E.J. Creeden Company, Advertising, 118 East 25th Street, telephone AL 4-4255.

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This letterhead memorandum is classified "Secret" because it contains information fro[redacted] a source which furnishes information of a highly sensitive nature about racial matters in the U.S., and the Communist infiltration thereof. [redacted]

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1-NY (100-155214) (BILL STEIN) (43)
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New York, New York
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Re: Communist Infiltration of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, SCLC

On February 11, 1966, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information which disclosed that Stanley Levison and Adele Kanter (Director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, SCLC office in New York City) were in contact on that date regarding SCLC operational matters. In that regard, they discussed the recent fund raising affair which was held by the SCLC at the Riverside Church, New York City on January 2, 1966.

Levison said that as a consequence of the poor reception on the part of the ministers who attended the function, it has been decided that in the future, contacts will be made on an individual basis rather than on a mass basis. In pointing out just how disappointing the Riverside results were, Levison said only eight pledges were received.

Bill Stein (Church fund raiser for the SCLC), Levison said, spent two months making plans for the Riverside Church function, although Martin Luther King (President of the SCLC)

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had opposed the function. Levison said he now concurs with King that it is a waste of time and effort to hold big affairs similar to the Riverside one.

Furthermore, Levison also agrees with King when he contends that more contributions are received from contacts by William Stein with individuals and specific churches than from mass meetings.

On February 14, 1966, the same source advised that Levison and Kanter were in contact on that date, during which time Levison told Kanter what transpired at the emergency SCLC financial meeting which was held in Atlanta, Georgia, on February 12, 1966. First, Levison said, the meeting was a very good one and said the financial difficulties of the SCLC were squarely handled. He said he (Levison) asked that the program of the SCLC be curtailed, which drew the ire of King, who opposed any curtailment.

In elaborating on some of the things considered and acted upon, Levison said Harry Belafonte was recently in Europe to set up an SCLC benefit affair in Sweden, Norway and Paris. Levison said the benefit planned for Sweden would be fantastic because the Prime Minister would be the Chairman, the Post Office in Sweden would handle the affair, and the National Treasury would handle the money. Levison said the Swedish banks were paying the expenses of the affair, and "they" (the SCLC) expected to net $200,000.

Levison mentioned that Clarence Jones, who also attended the Atlanta meeting, announced that the SCLC had received only $25,000 from the Teamsters Union, although officials had made great promises subsequent to the murder of Mrs. Viola Liuzzo in Alabama, last year.

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King, Levison said, in remarking on Jones' statement, said when he was returning from the Liuzzo funeral, James Hoffa (President of the Teamsters) and Harold Gibbons of the Teamsters, told him they would raise a very large sum for the SCLC.

Levison said Jones is a very close friend of one of the top attorneys of the Teamsters Union, Sidney Cohn (Phonetic), therefore, he should try to tread his way and see if he can get something going in order to get the funds promised.

In considering other means to raise funds, Levison said Chauncey Eskridge (Attorney and legal adviser to the SCLC) came up with the idea of a radio program for King. The program as envisioned by Eskridge, would be for ten minutes on Sunday mornings, and "they" would sell two spots before and after, get a sponsor and make an appeal on the air to Negroes. Levison said he disagreed wholeheartedly with the idea, however, over his opposition, it was agreed that Dr. Billy Graham's (noted evangelist) experts would help them get the project off the ground.

In order to cover back bills of the SCLC, Levison said it was agreed that an emergency approach would be made to churches and labor unions. In addition, according to Levison, $30,000 will be borrowed to help clear the bills.

The reserve fund, according to Levison, contains about $34,000 plus another reserve . which they don't want to touch. In addition, there are stocks in a well known mutual fund amounting to $100,000. Levison said if necessary, they could borrow on them in order to pay off the bills.

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Levison said the SCLC has expectations to raise money in Chicago, Illinois, and the trade unions expected to raise between $50,000 and $100,000 in that city. An affair being run by them (SCLC) in Chicago, is expected to net $60,000 and a dinner is expected to raise a large amount of money since they already have $35,000 in pledges. [redacted]

One point proposed by him was accepted during the meeting, Levison told Kanter. He said it was agreed that the SCLC should pin point every area in which it expects to raise money, then appoint one person to be the supervisor in charge in that area. He said he came up with the responsibility for Al Duckett (public relations man in New York City who handles King's promotional activities) due to the fact that Billy Eckstine (noted male singer) was desirous of a five city tour to raise money for the SCLC and that it was a Duckett operation Levison said he would supervise the money Duckett spends on the arrangements for the proposed Eckstine tour. [redacted]

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Clarence Jones

Clarence Jones is the General Counsel to the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York, New York.

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The Labor Youth League has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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The YCL has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

RE: BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLY, ET AL. (U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC) V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)
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SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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RE: BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLY, ET AL.
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SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.)
CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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RE: BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLY, ET AL. (U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

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(OO: Atlanta)

Southern Christian Leadership Conference

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Enclosed are ten copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) reporting information from [redacted] Two copies of the LHM are enclosed for the information of the Atlanta Office. One copy is enclosed for the information of Chicago.

The source was of the opinion that LEVISON and KING's conference was such that KING was in Atlanta and LEVISON was in New York City.

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(4) - Bureau (438794) (Encls. 10) (RM)
(1 - 100-106670) (MARTIN LUTHER KING)
2 - Atlanta (100-5718) (Encls. 2) (RM)
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1 - New York (100-111180) (STANLEY LEVISON) (42)
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APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S) OF Intelligence DATE 6-13-80

Re: Communist Infiltration of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC)
Internal Security - C

On February 14, 1966, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Martin Luther King (President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, SCLC), and Stanley Levison were in conference on that date. The purpose of their contact was to give Levison an opportunity to get King's comments concerning a telegram Levison had prepared to send to Trade Unions. The telegram, according to the information furnished by the source, was in essence as follows:

"Historic opportunities to liberalize the South through Negro voter registration are at point of climax. SCLC is deploying maximum resources in Alabama and Registration books close in thirty days, emphasizing need for all out effort now. Simultaneously, we are leading Chicago assault on slums - we are collaborating with Trade Unions there to organize hospital and laundry workers. Significant breakthroughs for democratic rights can be made in next weeks. I know you will understand urgency and help significantly as you have before. Please send to my attention, Martin Luther King, Jr., c/o SCLC, Atlanta".

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Re: Communist Infiltration of the SCLC
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At King's suggestion, Levison changed the telegram to make a direct appeal for financial support instead of just asking for help in general.

Levison said he had selected about 15 to 20 unions to receive copies of the telegram.

Following the telegram matter, the conversation shifted to the SCLC's drive to eradicate slums in Chicago. In this regard, King said Mayor Daley of Chicago held a Press conference on Thursday (February 10, 1966), and from the statements made, one would think that he (King) had held the conference. According to King, Daley, in response to a question as to whether he was feeling pressure from the SCLC drive, stated that he was not, that the changes announced by him (Daly), had been planned for months.

Levison, after hearing King's statement, said he was of the opinion that the public is becoming aware of King's efforts in Chicago as they did in Montgomery, Alabama, many years ago. And as a consequence, changes will occur, Levison predicted.

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Mr. Trotter	
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Miss Holmes	
Miss Gandy	

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-35356)

SUBJECT: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SM - C

Re Chicago teletypes dated 2/2 and 5/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau are nine (9) copies, for Atlanta three (3) copies, of a self-explanatory LHM concerning KING and his activities in Chicago as known during the period 2/2-5/66.

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On 2/2/66, information concerning KING's presence in Chicago was provided to [redacted] Region I, 113th INTC Group, Chicago, Illinois, and [redacted] U.S. Secret Service, Chicago. Subsequent pertinent information concerning activities of KING, including the threat against his life, was made available to representatives of Secret Service and Region I, 113th INTC Group, as it developed.

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In connection with recent Atlanta and New York communications reflecting KING planned to meet in Chicago on Friday, February 4, 1966, with BAYARD RUSTIN, of New York, there has been no information forthcoming from any sources normally utilized in this matter indicating that such a meeting took place or that RUSTIN was in Chicago. (b)(7)(a) (b)(7)(d)

No reference was made in the enclosed LHM concerning information provided by [redacted] 2/3/66, and included in Chicago teletype of 2/3/66. This information would add nothing to the LHM and the NOI interest in KING's appearance was solely from a standpoint of observing what transpired, as was later clarified by this source on 2/3/66.

As Chicago teletype of 2/3/66 reflected, the information provided by the source re the NOI interest in KING's appearance, because of its proximity to the residence of the NOI leader, was furnished immediately in paraphrased form to the office of the Deputy Superintendent, Chicago Police Department.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Chicago, Illinois

FEB. 8, 1966

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
SECURITY MATTER - C

[redacted] advised the Chicago Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) on February 2, 1966, that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. had arrived in Chicago at approximately 5:50 PM on that date via Trans-World Airlines from New York City, New York. Upon arrival, King had indicated his intention of residing while in Chicago at the apartment recently rented for him in a Chicago slum area on the west side; that is, 1550 South Hamlin Avenue, Chicago. (b)(6)

[redacted] advised the Chicago Office of the FBI on February 3, 1966, that during the morning hours of this date Dr. King had met for approximately one and one-half hours with the Reverend John P. Cody, Archbishop of the Chicago Catholic Archdiocese. The meeting had been in the nature of a courtesy visit, at King's request, during the course of which King reportedly had informed Archbishop Cody of the nature and purposes of his campaign to end segregation and discrimination against the Negro here in Chicago. [redacted] advised that King had stated in a press conference shortly after this meeting that he and Archbishop Cody were in substantial agreement upon the goals that both were seeking and intended to keep in touch with each other. King stated that he was hopeful of the active participation of priests and nuns in connection with his Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) program here and had gained the impression from the Archbishop that such participation was a matter of individual conscience and would not be a matter of discipline insofar as the church hierarchy in this archdiocese was concerned. King had been accompanied to this conference by Reverend Andrew Young and Bernard Lee, both officials of Dr. King's SCLC.

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[redacted] advised on February 4, 1966, that King had appeared as scheduled the previous evening at a rally at the Kenwood United Church of Christ, 4608 South Greenwood Avenue, Chicago. This rally was held under the auspices of the Kenwood-Oakland Community Organization, the Woodlawn Organization, and the Unity Organization for Hyde Park High School, all described as local neighborhood civil rights and community improvement type groups. During his remarks here King had attacked the recent decision of the Chicago Board of Education to build a new high school in the Hyde Park-Kenwood community area, rather than in enlarging the existing Hyde Park High School. The sponsoring organizations, as well as a number of other neighborhood groups, feel that a new high school constructed in this area will create more segregated school conditions by drawing from the existing Hyde Park High School the few white students remaining in the area. King in his remarks supported this thesis and stated that the weight of his SCLC forces here would be thrown behind those in opposition to the Board of Education decision. (b)(7)(b)

[redacted]

In connection with the above appearance at the Kenwood Church, an article in the February 4, 1966, edition of the "Chicago's American", a daily Chicago newspaper, reflected the facts of this threat, also stated that King's appearance at this particular meeting had been against his local doctor's orders as he was suffering from an attack of bronchitis. This article stated that the possibility existed King would have to curtail his Chicago activities during the next day or so because of his physical condition.

[redacted] advised the Chicago Office on February 7, 1966, that Dr. King had appeared as scheduled at the so-called Rally to End Slums, February 5, 1966, at the Mozart Baptist Church, 2900 West Adams Street. King's comments here were very brief and King appeared to be suffering the effects of his recent illness. Approximately 1,000 persons were present and heard King urge Chicago's slum dwellers to organize to end the conditions under which they live. He urged the formation of action units, or unions, to gain the necessary numerical strength to bargain with the forces responsible for these slum conditions. King charged that too many Negro slum residents have become satisfied with their conditions and adjusted to them. [redacted] continued that earlier reports had been made to this meeting by study groups on education, economics, housing and politics. Reverend James Bevel, SCLC Staff Worker in Chicago, had urged continuing organizational efforts in all these categories and suggested that the formation of slum tenant councils will commence in the near future.

(b)(7)(C)

[redacted] above, advised on February 5, 1966, that Dr. King had departed Chicago from O'Hare Airport at approximately 5:00 PM on that date, via Delta Airlines for Atlanta, Georgia. There was no information available at this time concerning his return to Chicago during the following week.

[redacted] advised on February 7, 1966, that apart from the telephone threat to the Kenwood Church on the evening of February 3, 1966, there had been no incidents or disorders of any kind in connection with the presence of King in Chicago during the period February 2-5, 1966.

A copy of this memorandum is being provided to the following, all in Chicago: United States Secret Service, Office of the United States Attorney, and Region I, 113th INTC Group.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (100-106670)

FROM SAC, SPRINGFIELD (100-10392) RUC.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
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C SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Re Atlanta airtel to Bureau, 1/25/66; Chicago teletype to Springfield, 2/9/66.

Enclosed for the Bureau are nine copies of a letterhead memorandum captioned "MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR."

Enclosed for Atlanta are three copies of this same letterhead memorandum, and enclosed for Chicago are two copies of this letterhead memorandum.

It is to be noted there was no appearance made at Illinois State University, Normal, Illinois, by KING. (b)(7)(A)

[redacted] used as source in letterhead memorandum, is an established source of the Springfield Division.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No. SI 100-10392

Springfield, Illinois
February 15, 1966

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

[redacted] advised that Martin Luther King, Jr. arrived at the Bloomington, Illinois Airport from Chicago, Illinois at 8 PM by chartered plane on February 10, 1966. (b)(6)

[redacted] advised that at the Illinois Wesleyan University Field House, Bloomington, Illinois, King addressed approximately 3,000 people, composed preponderantly of student and faculty members from Illinois Wesleyan University and Illinois State University, Normal, Illinois. He related there was a sprinkling of townspeople in attendance.

The "Daily Panagraph", a daily newspaper published at Bloomington, Illinois, in the issue printed the morning of February 11, 1966, stated that King reported on civil rights gains.

The same news article said King stated "If democracy is to live, segregation must die". He reported that the average negro who is employed today "Earns ten times more than the average negro wage earner twelve years ago." He further stated "Twenty per cent of the negro families earn less than $1,000 annually compared against five per cent of the white families in the same category."

The same news article stated that King stated "While this nation faces the lowest level of unemployment in the last seven or eight years", he pointed out, "unemployment among negroes is at its highest level". Also, he stressed the need for public work programs.

The article further stated that King related that a psychological change is needed "One of the tragedies of

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slum life is that it causes people to lose faith and resign themselves to fate."

The article went on to state that after King spoke for nearly an hour, he engaged in fifteen minutes of answering questions and stated he had to end his meeting early as he was needed in Chicago, Illinois at 11 PM, February 10, 1966, to plan strategy for a union to end slums in Chicago, Illinois.

[redacted] advised that immediately subsequent to his speech, King departed from Bloomington, Illinois by chartered private plane en route Chicago, Illinois. He advised the plane left the Bloomington, Illinois Airport at 10:15 PM, February 10, 1966. b7C

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Via AIRTEL (Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (105-16238)

SUBJECT: SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
RM
OO: ATLANTA

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies, for Atlanta two of a self-explanatory LHM, setting forth the substance of remarks made by Reverend JAMES BEVEL, 2/9/66, before a student group at Wilson Junior College, Chicago.

Representatives [redacted] were present at this meeting and made a verbatim transcript of his remarks, a summary of which are set forth in the enclosed. This is being furnished to the Bureau and Atlanta for information inasmuch as representatives of the Human Relations Unit have advised that the remarks attributed to BEVEL in this report, somewhat inflammatory in nature, are typical of his appearances before groups of all kinds in the Chicago area in connection with his capacity as nominal director of the SCLC staff of field workers here.

No copy of this LHM is being provided Region I, 113th INTC Group, Chicago [redacted] Copies are being provided, however, to Secret Service, and the USA's Office, Chicago.

3 - Bureau (Encl. 8)
2 - Atlanta (100-5718) (1 - 100-JAMES BEVEL) (Encl. 2)
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The caption of this communication, and the enclosed LHM is being carried simply SCLC, RM, as there is no information set forth in the LHM relating to communist infiltration of the SCLC. The use of Cominfil with its character would consequently prove misleading to the agencies to whom copies of this LHM are being disseminated.

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Chicago, Illinois
February 17, 1966

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)
RACIAL MATTERS

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On February 15, 1966, [redacted] reflected that Bevel had predicated his remarks with a statement that there has been no change in the economic and political freedom of the Negro in this country in the past 100 years and the Negro still refuses to see that the chains have only been taken from his legs and put on his brains.

The Negro people in Chicago have no representative in a policy making position in the city administration in Chicago and are as disenfranchised as the Negro in Mississippi.

Decision makers will not make decisions in the interest of people who are powerless and the decisions made for the Negro by white people have traditionally reflected this. The people who have decided what form the education of Negroes should take have decided that Negroes should not have a scientific education and should not share in technical knowledge. Bevel stated that it was no accident that Negroes today are not in the Institute of Technology gaining such knowledge.

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RE: SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC)

The Board of Education in Chicago decided that Negroes should graduate from school here reading at the same level as Negroes in Mississippi. It is no accident either that Negroes here do not share in production and distribution of business, that is in reference to the general economy of the city. It is recognized that to control capital is power, so power, economic and political is denied the Negro in Chicago.

Bevel stated that "our movement", meaning the SCLC campaign in Chicago, is centered on creating power for the Negro. Negroes have only one thing going for them, that is themselves since people are power. The SCLC is trying to organize the people to make decisions to help themselves and use the only power available to them.

The Negro knows that he is oppressed by white people but Bevel stated that he did not accept the position that he has to remain oppressed. One position taken by many is that it is possible to cooperate with the oppressor, however, this is only a survival tactic. Bevel felt that for the evil of oppression to be overcome, it is necessary to develop another stronger form of evil. He illustrated his meaning in this regard by stating that if another used a 12" stick on you, get a 14" stick to beat him with. He noted, however, that people who believe in the dignity of man have to develop a technique and philosophy to deal with such an approach without becoming "nasty". This is what Doctor (Martin Luther) King has done and this is a good position to take. Arrival at this position is simple if you understand who and what you are, that is if you are not going to be someone's prostitute but that you are going to be a man.

Bevel continued that the non-violent movement in America can so deal with the pressing social problems here, that it will serve as a model for people all over the world. The problems can be delt with in a civilized

manner, however, the solutions require a lot of work and no automatically successful civil rights campaign can hope to arise in Chicago. If the Negro in the black ghettos can be restored to humanity, then there will be such a movement. Freedom means to be free to organize and not be a slave. Bevel felt that the Negro is still not free today because of a mixture of ignorance, apathy, and fear.

Bevel stated that in a situation where law conflicts with a man's dignity, then the law should be broken. There should be no question about this, break the law and keep going. America has laws that tell Negroes they are subhuman and even if it means getting killed, according to Bevel, then this type of law should be broken. He concluded his remarks by stating, "We have to create a city in Chicago where a man can be a man without being disrespected".

[redacted] concluded that approximately 120 youths attended this meeting, mostly Negro. Bevel's remarks were very well received by those in attendance.

A copy of this memorandum is being provided to Secret Service and the office of the United States Attorney, both Chicago.

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-438794) DATE: 2/18/66

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (105-16238)

SUBJECT: COMINFIL - SCLC
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Re Atlanta airtel dated 1/20/66, concerning CORDY T. VIVIAN; Atlanta letter 1/28/66, under VIVIAN's caption.

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With reference to this group, the attention of the Bureau and Atlanta is invited to Atlanta airtel with letterhead memorandum dated November 5, 1965. This communication reflected also that Reverend JAMES P. MORTON was the individual who was to receive a letter of reference concerning VIVIAN.

As a matter of information concerning this organization and MORTON, Chicago indices reflect an article from the July 28, 1965, edition of the "Chicago Daily News," captioned "Share Power - Or It Will Be Taken; Ghettos in Revolt, Mayor's Told."

This article reflected that a National League of Cities convention was then being held in Detroit, Michigan, and one of the speakers was Reverend JAMES MORTON, a Chicago Episcopal Clergyman. He was described as having arrived fresh from marching in the streets of Chicago, to tell the delegates about the churches role in community action. He had described this role as being in the streets, and wherever else the action is. He had described his remarks as "revolutionary stuff" stating in part:

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"Look in our urban ghettos: those whom you call the urban poor and powerless are standing up.

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No longer is it necessary for any group to be powerless, unorganized and subservient--those who presently control all the power can share and will share their power or it will be taken from them."

MORTON was described as approximately 35 years of age, having a Phi Beta Kappa key from Harvard, and a one time student of architecture. He was the Director of the Urban Training Center for Christian Missions in Chicago, a training center for the preparation of clergymen to work in inner-city slums.

MORTON also is identified in Chicago indices, along with a large number of prominent civil rights personages in Chicago, as a sponsor of a JOIN Defense Committee to support and arrange for the legal defense of four JOIN members arrested while picketing at the offices of the Cook County Public Aid Department, Chicago, in July, 1965. JOIN is self-described in a publication of JOIN itself, as a community, union type organization supported by Students for a Democratic Society.

Referenced Atlanta letter of January 23, 1966, requests Chicago to verify the residence and employment of VIVIAN in Chicago.

Chicago Police Department sources knowledgeable regarding such matters and civil rights personages were contacted regarding VIVIAN and had no knowledge of his presence in Chicago, or his affiliation with the Urban Training Center.

On February 16, 1966, a pretext telephone call was made to [redacted] by SA [redacted] inquiring for VIVIAN, the call in the guise [redacted] It was determined that VIVIAN is employed here as Director of Fellowship, and has been for approximately six or eight weeks. His residence address in Chicago could not be ascertained during this call but Chicago will continue to attempt to discreetly ascertain same.

Copies are being designated to Indianapolis and St. Louis as leads regarding VIVIAN were set forth for these offices in referenced letter of January 28, 1966.

RE: BERNARD S. LEE V. CLARENCE M. KELLY, ET AL. (U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1185

SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE (SCLC) V. CLARENCE M. KELLEY, ET AL (U.S.D.C., D.C.) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER 76-1186

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RANDOLPH BLACKWELL

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BLACKWELL attended a Labor Youth League convention on August 13, 1950, at the Algonquin Club, 1400 Fayetteville Street, Durham, North Carolina.

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CAROL HOOVER

A news item in "The Atlanta Daily World" (an Atlanta, Georgia, daily Negro newspaper), dated May 21, 1965, titled "Albany 'Justice' Assailed" datelined Hapeville, Georgia, sets forth information regarding a semi-annual board meeting of the Southern Conference Educational Fund (SCEF) held in Hapeville during the previous weekend. The article reports that Miss CAROL HOOVER, Atlanta, Georgia, an administrative assistant at the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) was one of four new members added to the board of SCEF at this meeting.

A characterization of the SCEF is attached hereto.

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CLARENCE JONES is the General Counsel for the Gandhi Society for Human Rights, 15 East 40th Street, New York City.

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GANDHI SOCIETY FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

The Gandhi Society for Human Rights was formed for the purpose of developing a philosophy and technique of non-violent civil rights protests. It is a non-action organization and makes no attempt to influence legislation nor participate in demonstrations. The Society furnishes legal assistance in certain civil rights cases. The organization was incorporated June 14, 1962.

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SOUTHERN CONFERENCE EDUCATIONAL FUND, INC.

"The Southern Patriot," a monthly publication, shows that it is published by the SOUTHERN CONFERENCE EDUCATIONAL FUND, INC. (SCEF).

"The Southern Patriot" was cited as an "Organ" of the SOUTHERN CONFERENCE FOR HUMAN WELFARE (SCHW) by the Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 592, on the SCHW, June 12, 1947.

The SCHW was cited as a communist front by the Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 592, June 16, 1947.

An amendment to the charter of the SCHW changed the name of that organization to the SCEF, and listed its purpose as being to improve the educational and cultural standards of the Southern people in accordance with the highest American democratic institutions, traditions, and ideals. The amendment was dated April 26, 1946.

A source advised on March 2, 1961, that CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT, a Communist Party functionary, stated at a meeting of the Communist Party in Baltimore, Maryland, on February 25, 1961, that the Communist Party is not connected with any progressive movement but indirectly they do have some influence in the SCEF.

A second source, who is familiar with some phases of Communist Party activity in the New Orleans area, advised on June 2, 1965, that during the time the SCHW was in existence, Communist Party (CP) members have not been encouraged to work in the SCEF. The source stated the SCEF is a progressive, liberal organization, which he considers a CP front organization because it has gone along with the Communist Party on certain issues, particularly on the racial question.

On June 2, 1964, the second source advised that in the past he has considered JAMES DOMBROWSKI, the Executive Director of the SCEF, to be a Communist, if not an actual Communist Party member, because he followed communist principles.

The second source advised on May 27, 1963, that many people who are officials and members of the SCEF, while liberal in their views, are by no means communists.

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THE NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of January 2, 1957, to supersede Guide published on May 14, 1951, by the Committee on Un-American Activities, U. S. House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., contains the following information concerning "The National Lawyers Guild:"

1. Cited as a Communist front.

   (Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1311, on the CIO Political Action Committee, March 29, 1944, p. 149).

2. Cited as a Communist front which "is the foremost legal bulwark of the Communist Party, its front organizations and controlled unions" and which "since its inception has never failed to rally to the legal defense of the Communist Party and individuals members thereof, including known espionage agents." (Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 3123 on the National Lawyers Guild, September 21, 1950, originally released September 17, 1950.)

3. "To defend the cases of Communist lawbreakers, fronts have been devised making special appeals in behalf of civil liberties and reaching out far beyond the confines of the Communist Party itself. Among these organizations are the *** National Lawyers' Guild. When the Communist Party itself is under fire these offer a bulwark of protection."

   (Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Handbook for Americans, S. Doc. 117, April 23, 1956, p. 91.)

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